



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 17

Meeting Date: May 16, 2014

Meeting Location: Dubois County DCS

Council Members Present: RM Susan Lesko, Melinda Berry, Lisa Smith, Amy Tempel, Nancy Rennie, Darlene McBride, Kimberly Donnelly, Melissa Lueken, and David Galloway.

Council Members Absent: Cheryl Hillenburg, Melisa Tye, Judge Weikert, Judge Dartt, Sandra Bowman, Maureen Lambeck, and Judge Ellis.

Others In Attendance: Ashley Manship, Steve Adams, Susan Ford, Keith Lindsay, Jeff Gray, Addie Brandell, Jessica Richardson, Michael Singleton, Haley Droste, Dana Welborn, Megan Whitehead, Tatum Miller, and Micci Frye.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:30 AM by RM Lesko. Roll call was held.

RM Lesko asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous meeting. Council member Director Berry made a motion to approve the meetings minutes and council members Lisa Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

Programs/Committee Report

Community Partners: Haley Droste with IHBS gave a summary of the referrals for the month of April 30, 2014. As of April 30, 2014 a total of 97 open cases are currently being serviced through Community Partners for Child Safety in Region 17. In the month of April, a total of 49 new referrals were made for consideration and 42 were serviced.

Of the referrals, one came from Crawford County, twenty one came from Daviess County, eleven came from Dubois County, five came from Martin County, six came from Orange County, two came from Perry County, and three came from Spencer County.

Sources of the referrals (Partners) for this month included the Crawford County Department of Child Services (1), Daviess County Department of Child Services (15), Dubois County Department of Child Services (3), Martin County Department of Child Services (4), Orange County Department of Child Services (4), Spencer County Department of Child Services (2), Perry County Department of Child Services (1), Samaritan Center (1), Head Start (1), Compass Point (1), South Western Behavioral Health Center (1), Huntingburg Elementary School (1), South Ridge High School (1), Fifth Street Elementary School (1), Lena Dunn Elementary School (2), Paoli Jr/Sr High School (1), Springs Valley Elementary School (1), and self-referrals (8).

In the month of February, a total of 44 new referrals were made for consideration and 37 were serviced.

Of the referrals, three came from Crawford County, twelve came from Daviess County, eight came from Dubois County, three came from Martin County, eight came from Orange County, four came from Perry County and six came from Spencer County.

Sources of the referrals (Partners) for this month included the Daviess County DCS, Dubois County DCS, Martin County DCS, Orange County DCS, Perry County DCS, Spencer County DCS, Lena Dunn Elementary School, Southern Hills, Jasper Middle School, Crawford County Jr/Sr High School, Paoli Jr/Sr High School, Throop Elementary School, Spring Valley Elementary School, American Psychological Center, Spencer County Community Corrections, Heritage Hills Middle School and self-referrals.

Closing Report: January-March 2014

142 total referrals

112 closed service cases

111 closed successfully 99%

90% of the time all goals were obtained.

As of 4-30-14 there were 97 open cases, 49 of those are new cases of which 42 of them were serviced.

Haley informed council we are over budget. The two hour cap has been changed to one hour with the exception of a crisis or an emergency.

Practice Model: Council member Darlene McBride stated the focus is on CFTM's making sure FCM's are preparing the family for the meeting. Peer coach training will be in July for all coaches in the state.

Regional Services Coordinator's Report: Micci Frye reported RPF for Domestic Violence opening up in June. Ms. Frye explained service mapping to the Council. Service mapping utilizes existing assessment tools to identify those families and youth, in child welfare and juvenile probation, who could benefit from the Evidence Based Programs and other state funded programs. FCM's and probation officers will be able to print recommendations and available service providers for reference during case planning and team meetings. These services will provide different levels of services in order to best meet the needs of the family.

Regional Finance Manager: Steve Adams gave the budget report taking us through April 2014. Steve stated we are 29% over our allocation.

Steve informed council that Keith Patterson is replacing John Schroder as RFM. He will start on May 19, 2014.

Regional Foster Care Specialist: Melissa Lueken stated the Foster Parent Appreciation event will be on June 7, 2014. Melissa stated they have several recruitment events planned for the coming months.

Fatherhood Initiative Program: Mike Singleton with IHBS stated the program is going well. At this time there are 12 open cases in Region 17.

Mike informed council that Martin County had a success story where the dad became the custodial parent.

Old Business: RM Lesko opened the floor for directors to discuss their Child Abuse Prevention activities that occurred in April.

New Business: Mike Singleton explained Family Centered Therapy (FCT) to council members. Currently there are six referrals in Region 17.

Public Testimony/Announcement: None

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: A motion was made by council member Lisa Smith to adjourn and seconded by council member Darlene McBride. The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2014. It will start at 8:30 A.M. EST and will be held at Memorial Hospital Southside Office located at 1100 W. 12th St., Jasper, IN.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:40 A.M.